BOARD OF REGENTS
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
June 26-27, 2024

The South Dakota Board of Regents met on June 26-27, 2024, at Northern State University in Aberdeen, South Dakota at 9:30 a.m. Central Time with the following members present:

ROLL CALL:

Brock Brown – PRESENT
Judy Dittman – PRESENT
Randy Frederick – PRESENT
James Lochner – PRESENT
Randy Rasmussen – PRESENT
Pam Roberts – PRESENT
Douglas Morrison, Secretary – PRESENT
Jeff Partridge, Vice President – PRESENT
Tim Rave, President – PRESENT

Also present during all or part of the meeting were Nathan Lukkes, Board of Regents Executive Director and CEO; Liza Clark, Chief of Staff; Dr. Janice Minder, System Vice President for Academic Policy and Planning; Heather Forney, System Vice President of Finance and Administration; Kayla Bastian, Chief Human Resources Officer; Shuree Mortenson, Director of Communications; Dr. Pamela Carriveau, System Associate Vice President for Academic Programming; Katie Maley, Executive Assistant to the CEO and Board; Barry Dunn, SDSU President; José-Marie Griffiths, DSU President; Steve Elliott, BHSU President; Jim Rankin, SDSMT President; Dr. Neal Schnoor, NSU President; Sheila Gestring, USD President; Kami VanSickle, SDSD Director; Jessica Vogel, SDSBVI Superintendent; and other members of the Regental system and public and media.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024

Regent Rave declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

1-B Approval of the Agenda

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, to approve the agenda as published. Motion passed.

1-C Declaration of Conflicts

There were no declared conflicts.

1-D Approval of the Minutes – Meeting on April 3-4, 2024

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Partridge, to approve the minutes of the Board of Regents meeting on May 13-15, 2024. Motion passed.

1-E 2025 SDBOR Meeting Schedule

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Brown, to accept the dates and locations proposed on the 2025 Board of Regents Meeting Calendar in Attachment I. Motion passed.

1-F Motion to Dissolve into Executive Session

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, that the Board dissolve into Executive Session at 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, June 26, to consult with legal counsel and discuss personnel matters, pending and prospective litigation, contractual matters, and marketing or pricing strategies by a board of a business owned by the State when public discussion may be harmful to the competitive position of the business.

That it rise from Executive Session at 5:00 p.m., and reconvene in public session, to resume the regular order of business, and that the Board report its deliberations while in executive session and take any action it deems prudent as a result thereof in public session on Thursday, June 27. Motion passed.

THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2024

The Board reconvened in public session at 9:00 a.m.

3-A Report and Actions of Executive Session

The Board Dissolved into Executive Session at 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, June 26, to consult with legal counsel and discuss personnel matters, pending and prospective litigation, contractual matters, and marketing or price strategies by a board of a business owned by the State when public discussion may be harmful to the competitive position of the business, before rising from executive session at 5:30 p.m.

While in Executive Session, the Board discussed the matters just described, which included certain recommended actions as set forth in the Secretary's Report and other matters permitted by law.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, that the Board approve the recommended actions as set forth in the secretary's report and publish said reports and official actions in the formal minutes of this meeting. Motion passed.

3-B Resolution of Recognition – Brock Brown

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Partridge, to recognize Regent Brock Brown for his service to South Dakota's system of public higher education. Motion passed.

A copy of the Resolution of Recognition can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

3-C Welcome Presentation by President Schnoor

President Neal Schnoor welcomed the Board of Regents to Northern State University Campus, who was also joined by Dr. Anna Swan, Dean of the School of Education at NSU. President Schnoor noted that as a regional comprehensive university, NSU appreciates the Board's support to serve education, workforce needs, business education, the arts and sciences, and nursing. Earlier this month, the Higher Learning Commission approved their open pathway quality initiative proposal which focuses on experiential learning. As a few examples, President Schnoor invited a couple individuals, including Dr. Swan, to join him to speak on their experiences.

Rosemary Price-Rose is a South Dakota native and student in the Teacher Apprenticeship Program, was invited up to speak with the Board and provide her experience within the program and her passion for learning and education that led her to her choice on where she is now. She expressed her gratitude on behalf of herself and other students for those involved in making this program available. She is hopeful that the program will continue.

Dr. Sal Villegas (NSU Assistant Professor of Management in the School of Business) stated that has had the privilege to work with NSU students over the past few years to transform their innovative ideas into viable business opportunities. Over the past three years, NSU has produced four state finalists in the Governor's Giant Vision Competition. Dr. Villegas introduced Dianna Lee (International Student from Barcelona, Spain, studying in Management) who provided her experience as a student at NSU.

President Schnoor also introduced Zack Flakus, who is their new NSU Foundation CEO/President. Following the testimony of the experiences of the two students earlier, Zack noted that is their stories that make the work of NSU and the Foundation so important.

3-D NSU Student Organization Awards

Sean Blackburn, NSU Dean of Students, presented the NSU student organization award winners for 2023. The Honors Club accepted the award for academic excellence. The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) accepted the award for community service. The Residence Hall Association (RHA) accepted the award for organizational leadership.

A copy of the NSU Student Organization Awards can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

3-E Reports from Individual Presidents and Superintendents

No report.

3-F Reports on Individual Regent Activities

Regent Brown stated that he and the Academics staff in the BOR central office held a transition meeting for Regent Dittman to take over as the Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee.

Regent Frederick thanked President Dunn and various staff at SDSU for helping him in his recent research and information gathering regarding R1. He was also the commencement speaker for the SDSBVI graduation in May.

Regent Lochner noted that the system had a very good update from NCHEMS on the stress test and that is moving along as planned. He also had recently visited NSU and USD campuses. He also visited Dean O'Kieffe in the School of Business regarding getting their Ag Leadership program up off the ground as an advisor.

Regent Partridge had the honor of visiting with a number of alumni friends and community leaders, and area legislators in Rapid City at the retirement reception at SDSMT for President Jim Rankin. It was a very nice event and was well attended. Regent Partridge also noted that he had the privilege of sitting on the Governor's Council of Economic Advisors where they talk about the economy from all over the state from various sectors. He was happy to report that the group felt very positively about South Dakota; they believe our economy is strong and more diverse in our sectors, which he felt was exciting to hear.

Regent Rasmussen attended an event for USD in Sioux Falls with the Foundation and attended the SDSD picnic. Last Monday he also had the opportunity to observed a Dakota Dreams class at USD.

3-G Report of the Executive Director

Nathan Lukkes, Executive Director and CEO, thanked Aberdeen for hosting us this week and touched on work that the system has been active in lately, including programs with the SD Department of Education as well as campus staff in gearing up for today's budget presentations. He also expressed his gratitude towards Regent Brown and his work with the Board during his tenure.

3-H Report from the Student Federation

Ethan Gladue, President, provided a summary of the primary goals the Student Federation has been working on. One being creating a positive relationship and communication with the Board of Regents. He also noted that the Student Federation wishes Regent Brown a happy retirement from the Board, and that they look forward to working with the new student regent once they are appointed. The Student Federation is also looking forward to planning an impactful, productive and enjoyable SHED for students on higher education day during the next upcoming legislative session. They are

working to make it more renown for students to attend SHED, really be engaged and learn what the political process is in Pierre since it is very different from what you see in other states as well as federal government. They are also working on increasing their interorganizational communication and what is going on within the different universities to be able to use their collective voice for various initiatives/events.

Regent Brown commented that in his time as a Regent, this was the first summer BOR meeting that has been very well attended by Student Federation and that he is happy to see the engagement.

Regent Roberts also noted in her tenure on the Board, this morning's breakfast with members of the Student Federation and NSU Student Government was one of the best. She enjoyed getting to chat with the students and hopes that continues to be something we do at future Board meetings.

3-I Report from NSU Student Government Association

Sam Brumfield, NSU SGA President, stated that he is excited to work with the Board over the next year. Sam noted that he and the other student government members are looking forward to give back to the community that support them as students at NSU. The student government is also working on holistic wellness by has really been getting behind student mental health and starting to crack down on the services to meet those needs.

4 FY26 Budget Requests

SDSU/CES/AES: President Barry Dunn, Mike Holbeck (VP of Finance), Dr. Dennis Hedge (Provost and VP for Academic Affairs) provided a summary of SDSU's top budget priorities, which includes 1) Movement towards R1, 2) Yeager Hall Remodel, 3) Briggs Library Renovation, and 4) Transient Animal Facility.

Regent Rave asked if we know how much the R1 initiative will cost if we were to be there by 2031. Regent Rave and Roberts asked about Masters switching to PhDs. Regent Roberts noted she wouldn't want to lose the Masters capacity.

USD/Law School/SSOM: President Sheila Gestring, Julie Kriech (VP of Finance), Dr. Tim Ridgeway (Vice President of Health Affairs and Dean of the Sanford School of Medicine), reviewed the budget priorities for the University of South Dakota, the USD School of Law, and the Sanford School of Medicine.

DSU: President Jose-Marie Griffiths, Stacy Krusemark (VP of Finance), and Dr. Rebecca Hoey (Provost and VP for Academic Affairs), reviewed budget priorities for Dakota State University which focused on 1) Karl Mundt Library Renovation, 2) Biomechanical Lab and Lab Equipment, and 3) Science Lab Equipment.

NSU: President Neal Schnoor and Veronica Paulson (VP of Finance and Administration) reviewed the budget priority for Northern State University which focused on projects to optimize campus access and flow.

BHSU: President Steve Elliott and Kathy Johnson (VP of Finance) reviewed budget priorities for Black Hills State University, which focused on 1) Jonas Academic Renovation and 2) SD Army National Guard Property Acquisition and Renovation.

SDSMT: Interim President Lance Roberts and Bill Spindle (VP of Finance) reviewed budget priorities for South Dakota School of Mines & Technology which focused on lab equipment and classroom upgrades.

System Requests: Heather Forney, System Vice President of Finance & Administration, explained the system's budget priorities, which include requests for 1) Tuition by-down, 2) Building insurance, 3) Wrap around services for students, 4)Technology funding, and 5) Maintenance & Repair.

A copy of the FY26 Budget Requests can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

Motion to Reconvene into Executive Session

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, that the Board dissolve into Executive Session at 11:35 a.m. on Thursday, June 27, to consult with legal counsel and discuss personnel matters, pending and prospective litigation, contractual matters, and marketing or pricing strategies of a board of a business owned by the state when public discussion may be harmful to the competitive position of the business, and that it rise from executive session at 12:30 and reconvene in public session to continue with the regular order of business and take any necessary actions. Motion passed.

Report of Executive Session

The Board Dissolved into Executive Session at 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, June 26, to consult with legal counsel and discuss personnel matters, pending and prospective litigation, contractual matters, and marketing or price strategies by a board of a business owned by the State when public discussion may be harmful to the competitive position of the business, before rising from executive session at 5:30 p.m.

The Board then reconvened in executive session at 11:35 a.m. on Thursday, June 27, for additional discussion of the matters just discussed before rising from executive session at 12:30. The discussion of matters in executive session included certain recommended actions set forth in the secretary's report and other matters permitted by law.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Roberts, that the Board approve the recommended actions as set forth in the secretary's report and publish said reports and official actions in the formal minutes of this meeting. Motion passed.

5 Public Comment Period

No report.

CONSENT AGENDA

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Roberts, seconded by Regent Morrison, to approve consent agenda items 6-A through 6-C(1) and 6-C(3) through 6-M as presented. Motion passed.

Academic and Student Affairs – Consent

6-A New BOR Policy 3.6.2 – System Financial Aid Processing (Second Reading)

Approve the second and final reading of the proposed new BOR Policy 3.6.2 – System Financial Aid Processing, as presented.

A copy of the New BOR Policy 3.6.2 – System Financial Aid Processing (Second Reading) can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-B(1) New Program Request – DSU – Minor in K-8 Teaching Content

Authorize DSU to offer a minor in K-8 Teaching Content, as presented.

A copy of the New Program Request – DSU – Minor in K-8 Teaching Content can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-B(2) New Program Request – NSU – Minor in Actuarial Science

Authorize NSU to offer a minor in Actuarial Science, as presented.

A copy of the New Program Request – NSU – Minor in Actuarial Science can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-B(3) New Program Request – NSU – Minor in Data Science

Authorize NSU to offer a minor in Data Science, as presented.

A copy of the New Program Request – NSU – Minor in Data Science can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-B(4) New Program Request – NSU – Minor in Movie, Animation, and Stage Acting

Authorize NSU to offer a minor in Movie, Animation, and Stage Acting, as presented.

A copy of the New Program Request – NSU – Minor in Movie, Animation, and Stage Acting can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-B(5) New Program Request – SDSU – Minor in Surface Mount Technology

Authorize SDSU to offer a minor in Surface Mount Technology, as presented.

A copy of the New Program Request – SDSU – Minor in Surface Mount Technology can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-C(1) New Certificate Request – BHSU – Wichozani Health & Wellness (Undergraduate)

Authorize BHSU to offer an undergraduate certificate in Wichozani Health & Wellness, as presented.

A copy of the New Certificate Request – BHSU – Wichozani Health & Wellness (Undergraduate) can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-C(2) RESERVED

This item was pulled from the agenda on 06/24/2024.

6-C(3) New Certificate Request – SDSU – Surface Mount Technology (Graduate)

Authorize SDSU to offer a graduate certificate in Surface Mount Technology, as presented.

A copy of the New Certificate Request – SDSU – Surface Mount Technology (Graduate) can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-D(1) New Specialization Requests – DSU – Computer Science & Cyber Education Specialization and Educational Technology Specialization – MSEd in Educational Technology

Authorize DSU to offer a Computer Science & Cyber Education specialization and an Educational Technology specialization within the MSEd in Educational Technology program, as presented.

A copy of the New Specialization Requests – DSU – Computer Science & Cyber Education Specialization and Educational Technology Specialization – MSEd in Educational Technology can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-E Substantive Program Modifications Requiring Board Approval – BHSU, DSU, & SDSU

Approve the substantive program modifications from BHSU, DSU, and SDSU, as presented.

A copy of the Substantive Program Modifications Requiring Board Approval – BHSU, DSU, & SDSU can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-F Inactive Status and Program Termination Requests – NSU & SDSU

Approve the program inactivation and termination requests from NSU and SDSU, as presented.

A copy of the Inactive Status and Program Termination Requests – NSU & SDSU can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-G Program Reactivation Request – USD

Approve USD's request to reactivate the Ed.D. in Educational Administration and Leadership with specializations in Curriculum Director, Director of Special Education, Pre-K-12 Principal, and School District Superintendent.

A copy of the Program Reactivation Request – USD can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-H(1) Agreements on Academic Cooperation – SDSMT

Approve South Dakota School of Mines & Technology to finalize and execute the agreement on academic cooperation between SDSMT and the Universidad Politécnica de Puerto Rico in substantially similar form to that set forth in Attachment I.

A copy of the Agreements on Academic Cooperation – SDSMT can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-H(2) Agreements on Academic Cooperation – USD

Approve the University of South Dakota to finalize and execute the agreements on academic cooperation between USD and Cadi Ayyad University, and USD and UCSD, in substantially similar form to that set forth in Attachments I & II.

A copy of the Agreements on Academic Cooperation – USD can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-I Articulation Agreement – South Dakota State University & Black Hills State University

Approve South Dakota State University to finalize and execute the articulation agreement between SDSU and Black Hills State University in substantially similar form to that set forth in Attachment I.

A copy of the Agreement – South Dakota State University & Black Hills State University can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-J SDSBVI High School Activities Association Membership

Approve the request of SDSBVI for continued membership in the South Dakota High School Activities Association.

A copy of the SDSBVI High School Activities Association Membership can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-K 2023 Academic Degree Program Productivity Report

Approve Dakota State University to finalize and execute the MOU between DSU and the United States Army Cyber Center of Excellence in substantially similar form to that set forth in Attachment I.

A copy of the 2023 Academic Degree Program Productivity Report can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

Budget and Finance – Consent

6-L Revisions to BOR Policies 1.6.4, 3.8.1, 6.13, and 6.13.1 (Second Reading)

Approve the second and final reading of revisions to BOR Policies 1.6.4 (Minors on Campus); 3.8.1 (Recognition and Funding of Student Organizations); 6.13 (Facilities Use by Private Parties); and

6.13.1 (Use of Institutional Facilities and Grounds for Expressive Activity by Student Organizations, Students, Employees, and their Guests), as presented.

A copy of the Revisions to BOR Policies 1.6.4, 3.8.1, 6.13, and 6.13.1 (Second Reading) can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-M Maintenance & Repair (M&R) Projects (Greater than $250,000)

Approve the requested maintenance and repair projects as described in this item.

A copy of the Maintenance & Repair (M&R) Projects (Greater than $250,000) can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

Routine Informational Items – No Board Action Necessary

6-N Audit Committee Report

A copy of the Audit Committee Report can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-O Capital Projects List

A copy of the Capital Projects List can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-P Interim Actions of the Executive Director

A copy of the Interim Actions of the Executive Director can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-Q Intent to Plan Requests

A copy of the Intent to Plan Requests can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

6-R Program Review Reports

A copy of the Program Review Reports can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

7-A Revised BOR Policy 2.11.1 – Academic and Student Reporting (First Reading)

Dr. Janice Minder, System Associate VP for Academic Policy and Planning, stated that BOR Policy 2.11.1 was initiated in 1993 and has had a limited number of revisions since the initial policy approval. With the onset of the merger to a single-student system and the implementation of Banner, this policy is suitable for modification.

The original policy focused mainly on enrollment reporting. However, with the reporting tools available to the Regental system there is a greater need to better define reporting in the collective. This revised policy now focuses on both academic and student reporting needs, live data reporting and snapshot (frozen in time) reporting.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Roberts, to approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BOR Policy 2.11.1 – Academic and Student Reporting, as presented. Motion passed.

A copy of the Revised BOR Policy 2.11.1 – Academic and Student Reporting (First Reading) can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

7-B(1) New Program Request – SDSU – BA/BS in Accounting

Dr. Dennis Hedge, SDSU Provost and VP for Academic Affairs, joined by Dr. Pamela Carriveau, System Associate VP for Academic Programming, stated that South Dakota State University requests authorization to offer a BA/BS in Accounting. The proposed program provides students with advanced training in accounting, including managerial, financial, cost, and income tax accounting. SDSU currently offers a minor in Accounting.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Roberts, to authorize SDSU to offer a BA/BS in Accounting, as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Brown – AYE
Dittman – AYE
Frederick – AYE
Lochner – Excused
Morrison – NAY
Rasmussen – NAY
Roberts – AYE
Partridge – AYE
Rave – AYE

Motion passed.

A copy of the New Program Request – SDSU – BA/BS in Accounting can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

7-B(2) New Program Request – USD – MS in Artificial Intelligence

Dr. Kurt Hackemer, USD Provost and VP for Academic Affairs, joined by Dr. Pamela Carriveau, System Associate VP for Academic Programming, stated that the University of South Dakota requests authorization to offer a MS in Artificial Intelligence. The proposed program is designed to equip students with advanced knowledge and skills in the rapidly evolving field of artificial intelligence, including machine learning, vision, intelligent systems, robotics and agent-based systems, knowledge discovery, data mining, and the secure, trustworthy, ethical and responsible use of AI.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Brown, seconded by Regent Roberts, to authorize USD to offer a MS in Artificial Intelligence, as presented.

Brown – AYE
Dittman – AYE
Frederick – AYE
Lochner – Excused
Morrison – AYE
Rasmussen – AYE
Roberts – AYE
Partridge – NAY
Rave – AYE

Motion passed.

A copy of the New Program Request – USD – MS in Artificial Intelligence can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

7-C(1) New Site Request – NSU – BSEd in Elementary Education (Online)

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, to table items 7-C(1) and 7-C(2). Motion passed.

7-C(2) New Site Request – NSU – BSEd in Special Education (Online)

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Morrison, seconded by Regent Partridge, to table items 7-C(1) and 7-C(2). Motion passed.

BUDGET AND FINANCE

8-A Revised BOR Policy 4.1.8 – Sponsorship of Employee Permanent Resident Applications (First Reading)

Kayla Bastian, System Chief Human Resources Officer, stated that this policy was first established in 2015 to set parameters for employment-based sponsorship for permanent residency including eligibility, waiting periods, stakeholder roles and cost responsibility. This policy has been instrumental in managing requests fairly and consistently. This process is managed through the System International Employment Services (SIES) center for all universities.

In recent years SIES has seen US Citizen and Immigration Services (USCIS) processing times increase, and the first step of permanent residency filing has become more complex. The current one (1) academic year waiting period for Professor/Tenure Track Teacher filings is creating the challenges. As a result, SIES proposes reducing the waiting period to one (1) academic semester which will reduce costs and create a better process for the departments and employees. The additional edits to the policy include simplifying text for easier understanding, generalizing in some areas to allow for flexibility and bringing the policy current to reflect roles and processes.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Morrison, to approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BOR Policy 4.1.8. Motion passed.

A copy of the Revised BOR Policy 4.1.8 – Sponsorship of Employee Permanent Resident Applications (First Reading) can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

8-B Revised BOR Policy 5.21 – Systems Collection Policy (First and Final Reading)

Heather Forney, System VP of Finance and Administration, stated that the proposed revision to BOR Policy 5.21 is an outcome of the accounts receivable/finance committee's evaluation of financial rules that go into effect July 1, 2024. Specifically, the Regental system must remove financial holds to the official transcript when students receive Title IV funding

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Partridge, to (1) waive the two-reading requirement of By-Laws Section 5.5.1, and (2) approve the first and final reading of the proposed revisions to BOR Policy 5.21 – Systems Collection Policy, as presented. Motion passed.

A copy of the BOR Policy 5.21 – Systems Collection Policy (First and Final Reading) can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

8-C SDBOR FY26 Budget Priorities

Heather Forney, System VP of Finance and Administration, reviewed the list of the FY26 budget priorities provided to the Board consisting of base budget requests and one-time funding requests for the system totaling $38,091,236.

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Frederick, seconded by Regent Partridge, to approve the FY26 Budget Request to include the priorities identified, to direct the staff to prepare and submit the FY26 Budget Request detail and justification to the Bureau of Finance and Management, and to refine any budget request figures and narratives, as necessary. Any needs for federal and other expenditure authority, full-time equivalent (FTE), South Dakota Opportunity Scholarship, post-secondary scholarship, lease payments, salary policy, and utility adjustment requests should be included. Motion passed.

A copy of the SDBOR FY26 Budget Priorities can be found on pages __ to __ of the official minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

IT WAS MOVED by Regent Partridge, seconded by Regent Brown, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Secretary's Executive Session Report

The Board convened in Executive Session pursuant to the vote of the majority of the Board present and voting at its public meeting on <u>Wednesday, June 26th, and Thursday, June 27th</u>, in accordance with SDCL § 1-25-2 to discuss matters authorized therein. Following executive session, on June 27th, the Board will meet in open session to discuss and take official action on the matters set forth below, all other matters discussed were consistent with the requirements of SDCL § 1-25-2, but no official action on them is being proposed at this time.

Recommended Actions:

2-E. Authorize the General Counsel to proceed with the legal matter(s) within the parameters discussed.

2-F(1). Approve the request from Dakota State University to name the football stadium in the DSU athletic complex to the "Brian Kern Family Stadium".

2-F(2). Approve the request from Dakota State University to name the DSU athletic complex to the "Beacom PREMIER Complex".

2-F(3). Approve the request from Dakota State University to name the football field in the DSU athletic complex to "Blankley Field".

2-G. Award sixteen (16) years of prior service credit toward tenure and five (5) years of prior service credit toward promotion for Dr. Shane Scholten (DSU); and award one (1) year of prior service credit toward tenure and one (1) year of prior service credit toward promotion for Dr. Alison Coulter (SDSU).

2-H. Approve the request to grant tenure as a Professor to Dr. Eun Heui Kim (SDSU) and Dr. David Earnest (SDSU).

2-I. Approve the leave request for Molly Enz (SDSU), as presented.

2-J. Accept the System Scholarship Committee's recommended recipients and alternates for the 2024-25 Fowler, Bjugstad, and Scarborough Scholarships, as presented.

> *<u>2024-25 Annis Irene Fowler/Kaden Scholarship</u>*
> *Recipient 1: Kaitlyn Martin – SDSU*
> *Recipient 2: Jalen Holm – BHSU*
> *Alternate 1: Jada Guptill – BHSU*
> *Alternate 2: Aubrey Senska – SDSU*
>
> *<u>2024-25 Ardell Bjugstad Scholarship</u>*
> *Recipient 1: Linkin Ballard – SDSU*
> *Recipient 2: Caleb Zephier – SDSMT*

2024-25 Marlin R. Scarborough Memorial Scholarship
Recipient: *Ellie Smith – USD*
Alternate 1: *Ryan Cantz – SDSMT*
Alternate 2: *Maggie Knippling – NSU*

2-K. *Approve the evaluation letters for President Griffiths, President Schnoor and President Gestring, as presented.*

2-L. *Approve the appointment request and compensation adjustments as outlined in Attachment I.*

2-M. *Authorize the Executive Director to approve the initial appointment of employees reporting directly to the president, and mid-year, permanent compensation adjustments, within the parameters discussed.*

SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MINES AND TECHNOLOGY						
Name	**Title**	**Effective date**	**Job Change Reason**	**Requested Salary**	**Previous Salary**	**% Increase**
Kurt Chowanski	**Research Scientist III**	**6/22/2024**	**Reclassification**	**$85,000.00**	**$71,136.00**	**19.5%**

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY						
Name	**Title**	**Effective date**	**Job Change Reason**	**Requested Salary**	**Previous Salary**	**% Increase**
Bryan Petersen	**Assistant Coach - Men's Basketball**	**6/22/2024**	**Equity Adjustment**	**$110,000.00**	**$103,000.00**	**6.8%**

APPOINTMENTS REPORTING TO THE PRESIDENT, SUPERINTENDENT or EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR				
NAME	**TITLE**	**EFFECTIVE DATE**	**SALARY**	**INSTITUTION**
David Crum	Athletic Director	7/1/2024	$130,000.00	SDSMT
Andrew Sogn	Chief Marketing Officer	6/22/2024	$98,600.00	DSU

ATTACHMENT I